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1. It was reported about 8 July that the Kabelwerk Oberspree in Berlin-Oberschönneweide would be compelled to close down in one week because of a lack of raw materials, especially steel. The daily requirements of band-iron are given as twelve tons. Between 8 and 15 July, three shipments, of 300 tons each, were unexpectedly received, one from Hungary and two from Belgium, which, [REDACTED] will enable the plant to continue production about a week longer.

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[REDACTED] Comment: Perhaps source meant to say 120 tons instead of 12 when he stated the daily requirements.

2. The new shipments were arranged by the German Economic Commission and Promsyrre-Import, Moscow (acting for the Administration for Foreign Trade of the SMA), and were transported by ship to Rostock and from there via Berutra under police guard.
3. Attempts to obtain the needed materials in the Soviet zone have been unsuccessful. Potential suppliers in Bitterfeld, Rottstedt, and Hennigsdorf are themselves lacking in materials. Poldistahl in Leipzig is unable to make any deliveries at present, although it has agreed to deliver after the conclusion of a trade agreement with Czechoslovakia.

4. Current production includes the following items:

Mine cable	NGA
Lacquered wire	NMH
Flexible cords	NRA
	NYA

(No explanation of the meaning of these initials.)

5. The research laboratory in the Kabelwerk, called EFEM, has for the last three weeks been without funds to pay its employees.

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